

Liturgical Schedule Twenty-fourth Week after Pentecost-- October 27, 2024

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday October 26, 2024

Beaverdale **4:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday October 27, 2024

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Mario & Angeline Pieraccini, by John and Barbara Havrilla]

Wednesday, October 30

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Fred Vrael, by Sara & John Dalton]

Friday, November 1

Portage 7:45 AM The Third Hour
8:00 AM Divine Liturgy [+Ed Nezeski, by John & Beena Nezeski--*rescheduled*]

Saturday, November 2

Portage **2:00 pm** Confessions-Mystery of Repentance
Beaverdale **3:30 pm** Confessions-Mystery of Repentance

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday November 2, 2024

Beaverdale **4:00 PM** Vigil Divine Liturgy

Sunday November 3, 2024

Portage **9:00 AM** Sunday Divine Liturgy [+Ann Krisko, by Carol Goral & Diane Kinback]

Annual Community Thanksgiving Service: Saints Peter and Paul Church will host this year's ***Community Thanksgiving Service*** on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 pm. A Moleben [Prayer Service] of Thanksgiving will be followed by a social with refreshments hosted by our parish.

Prayers for November Election: A ***Day of Prayer for the 2024 Election*** is being held on Monday, November 4 at Saints Peter and Paul Church, Portage. The church will be open for prayer throughout the day, 9:00 am-7:00 pm. At 6:30 pm a ***Moleben to Mary the Theotokos*** will be celebrated to ask for the intercession of Mary to conclude the Day of Prayer. Portage Area Ministerial Association churches will have churches open November 4 for prayer for the election.

Eternal Memory: You are asked to pray for the repose of the soul of ***+Joseph Kuisick*** who fell asleep in the Lord October 19. We extend our deepest sympathy and prayerful support to all of his family

42nd Annual Carpatho-Rusyn Celebration: St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church Social Hall, 201 East Main Street, Uniontown, Sunday, October 27 Noon-5:00 p.m. Ethnic foods (holubki, halushki, pirohi, pagach, kolbasi & kraut); baked goods, entertainment--Rusyn group ***"Rusynsky Betjare"*** throughout the afternoon. Also speaker and/or video on Rusyn culture/customs, church tour, displays, craft sales, raffles, parish cookbooks, extensive bake sale, folk art demonstrations, and children's activities. Everyone is welcome. Admission is free.

Mother of Perpetual Help Keychains: A note of sincere thanks to Sister Susan Sisko, Provincial, and to the Sisters of Saint Basil the Great, Mount Saint Macrina, Uniontown for the key chains with the Mother of Perpetual Help icon. The keychains were a commemorative item from the 90th Annual Pilgrimage at the Labor Day weekend. They were provided to give as gifts at parish gatherings.

Parishioners from Beaverdale and Dunlo received them at the dinner at Rizzo's on October 24. They will also be available at the Saint Nicholas Social in Portage and other occasions.

The Sanctuary Candle is in memory of Mario & +Angeline Pieraccini, by Barbara & John Havrilla.

Christmas Holiday Bake Sale: *Nut, Poppyseed, Apricot Rolls* are available from *Saint Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church*, Windber. Deadline for ordering is Sunday, November 24. Order forms in the narthex; or call Thresa Valko [814-266-3117]; provide name, phone number, items ordered.

Parish Advisory Council: A meeting is scheduled for the **Parish Advisory Council** for Saint Peter and Paul, Portage for Thursday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the rectory.

Church Cleaning & Work Party: The *Work Party* for November is scheduled for **Saturday, November 2**, at 9:00 am. The *Church Cleaning* for November is scheduled for **Tuesday November 5**, at 9:00 am. *Thank You* to those who volunteer for the monthly *Work Party* and *Church Cleaning*.

Prayers for Synod: The "Synod of Bishops for a Synodal Church" is currently meeting in Rome through October 27. Metropolitan William is a member of the Synod and is participating in this gathering. During October petitions will be included in the Divine Liturgy for this gathering in Rome.

100th Anniversary: Broadcasts from the 100th anniversary of our Metropolitan Church can be viewed on: For the Divine Liturgy: <https://www.youtube.com/live/9VUkZYzBDW4?si=Jl3yOKfZ1oXm2ntc>
For the Moleben: <https://www.youtube.com/live/Nf02o5zEVQA?si=hIZ6Ww4OA8B1U41E>

GCU Natural Disaster Relief: The *GCU* has a Matching Fund Project that will match total donations up to \$10,000 for those affected by *Hurricane Helene* and *wildfires in the Western US*. Donations tax deductible. Information at gcuusa.com. Through October 31

Bulletins and "Troitsja" Candle:

Sunday October 27

Candle: Easton Slanoc

Sunday November 3

Candle: Owen Slanoc

Remember in Prayer: *For The Health of:* John Havrilla; Richard Whitcomb; Michael Perich; Larry Dipko; Jeffrey Moist; Jean Petoro, Mother of Jennifer Blazosky; Becky Zock; Carol Goral; Mary & Daniel Zaliznock; Ray McCabe; Thomas Goncher; Linda Sekerak; Steve Paluch; Jason Thornton; Charlett Thornton; Deacon Daniel & Mary Lou Perich; Donna Block; Michael & Pauline Barelick; Matthew Barelick; Phil, & Dorothy Walters; Carissa Ratosky; Edward Wisniewski; David & Sandy Spontak; and all the ill, homebound.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: SS Peter & Paul (Portage): Louise Halovich; Joseph Mandichak; Michelle Maskal; Dorothy Majer; Stella Raptosh; Joanne Stewart;. **Saint Mary, Beaverdale:** Carol Slifko; **NURSING & CARE FACILITIES: Rebekah Manor,** Portage: Joanne Stewart; William Prozialek [Dunlo]; **Maple Winds:** June Nezeski; **Maple Heights, Ebsenburg:** Kathryn Mackovyak.

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Mysteries of Christian Initiation: There is to be **preparatory instruction** for parents and godparents prior to the celebration of the **Mysteries of Christian Initiation – Baptism, Chrismation, and Eucharist**. Christian Initiation may be celebrated with the Sunday Divine Liturgy. Those selected to be sponsors must be persons who are qualified to be a sponsor according the norms of Church law and practice.

Crowning in Marriage: A **six month period of preparation** is to precede the marriage. Couples are to meet with the pastor before other arrangements are scheduled. The **Pre-Cana Program** offered by the Archeparchy in the spring of each year is a **required** part of the marriage preparation for all couples.

Holy Anointing & Pastoral Care of the Ill: Please contact the pastor prior to surgery or in the event of illness to require the **Mystery of Holy Anointing**. When you or a family member are hospitalized or enter a nursing home or other facility, **please inform the pastor**.

Mystery of Repentance (Confessions): **Saturdays: 2:00 p.m. (Portage) and 3:30 pm (Beaverdale/Dunlo)**. Also, **½ hour before services [except Sunday]**, and by appointment.

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